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TAGS GATT ETRD EFIN

SUBJ GATT WORKING PARTIES ON DISC AND OTHER TAX PRACTICES

REFS GENEVA 4232 AND 4617, STATE 164800

1. GATT SECRETARIAT SAYS EC IS NOW ASKING THEM FOR FORWARD STEP ON SUBJECT WORKING PARTIES, SPECIFICALLY TO SEEK AGREEMENT ON MEMBERS OR AS FIRST STEP CHAIRMAN OF WPS. SECRETARIAT SAYS SAHLGREN (FINALDN) WHOM THEY CONSIDERED EARLIER (REFTELS) IS NOT ACCEPTABLE TOO EC ANND NOW WOULD LIKE TO HAVE OUR REACTION TO AMBASSADOR LAI OF MALAYSIA. IN ANSWER TO OUR QUERY, SEC SAID EC HAS NOT SUGGESTED EARLY MEETING BUT FEELS, SINCE NOTHING HAS HAPPENED SINCE JULY, IT IS TIME FOR A FURTHER STEP.

2. MISSION CONSIDERS LAI CAPABLE, KNOWLEDGEABLE IN TRADE MATTERS, AND OBJECTIVE. HE HAS NO KNOWN TAX EXPERTISE, HOWEVER AMONG GENEVA PERM RREPS WE WOULD BE UNLIKELY TO FIND CHAIRMAN WHO HAS AND WE ASSUME THIS EXPERTISE MUST

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BE PROVIDED BY ONE OR MORE OTHER MEMBERS OF WPS.

ACCORDINGLY WE RECOMMEND WE BE AUTHORIZED TO INDICATE LAI ACCEPTABLE. LAI (AND MALAYSIA) WAS NOT A MEMBER OF 1969-70 GATT WP ON BORDER TAXES..

3. WOULD APPRECIATE ANYTHING WASHINGTON MAY HAVE DEVELOPED RE ACCEPTABLE AND AVAILABLE TAX EXPERT, FROM FUND OR BANK OR OTHERWISE, THOUGH, IN ORDER NOT TO SPEED UP THE PROCESS, WE WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT PROPOSE TO TAKE ANY INITIATIVE ON THIS QUESTION AT LEAST AT THIS TIME.BASSIN

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